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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Zhang et al.

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For: AN IMPROVED METHOD FOR THE
PRODUCTION AND PURIFICATION OF
ADENOVIRAL VECTORS

Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Mosher, Mary E.

Atty. Dkt. No.: INRP:081USD1

**I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED FEBRUARY 7, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2005 for which the three-month date for response was May 7, 2005.

A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This three month extension of time will bring the due date to August 7, 2005, (which falls on a Sunday), and therefore, this filing is within the six month statutory period.

Should request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright and Jaworski L.L.P. Account No. 50-1212/INRP:081USD1.

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